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In re Patent Application of )  
Shigeru YANO et al ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Application No.: Unassigned ) Examiner: Unassigned  
Filed: August 17, 2001 )  
For: POROUS FILM AND )  
MANUFACTURING METHOD )  
THEREOF )

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, applicants hereby submit a copy of the International Search Report dated March 13, 2001, from the PCT application, as well as a copy of each document contained in the Search Report. In addition, provided herewith are other documents which are not cited in the Search Report, but which have been provided to the undersigned attorney.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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